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1. CHARGE AND POLOFF VISITED RWANDAN REFUGEE CAMPS IN EASTERN ZAIRE FROM FEBRUARY 2 TO 6. THE HUTU LEADER OF THE KASHUSHA CAMP OUTSIDE BUKAVU, BAGEZAHU J.M. VIANNEY, MADE THE FOLLOWING PREPARED REMARKS IN CHARGE'S MEETINGS WITH REFUGEE LEADERS, ZAIRIAN OFFICIALS, AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY ON FEBRUARY 4. BAGEZAHU'S STATEMENT DEMANDED THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY PUT PRESSURE ON THE CURRENT RWANDAN GOVERNMENT TO IMPLEMENT THE ARUSHA PEACE AGREEMENT AND ALL ITS PROTOCOLS AS CONDITIONS PRECEDENT BEFORE THE REFUGEES WILL RETURN TO RWANDA.

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2. WE TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING EXTRACTS OF AN INFORMAL

TRANSLATION OF HIS SPEECH AS AN INDIVIDUAL'S PUBLIC
SENTIMENTS OF THE HUTU CAMP LEADERS WHO LAY ALL BLAME ON THE
TUTSI RPF WITHOUT ALLUSION TO THE MASSACRE OF TUTSIS BY
ELEMENTS LINKED TO THE FORMER GOVERNMENT.

BEGIN EXTRACTS:

MISTER AMBASSADOR: THE RWANDAN REFUGEES YOU ARE VISITING
HERE HAVE BEEN IN THE KASHUSHA CAMP SINCE AUGUST 1994.
THEY WILL SOON COMPLETE EXACTLY SIX MONTHS IN THE CAMP AFTER
THE ATTACK LAUNCHED BY THE RPF (RWANDAN PATRIOTIC FRONT).
THE BLOODIEST ATTACK EVER EXPERIENCED IN RWANDA.

THE RPF LAUNCHED ITS ATTACK FROM THE EXTERIOR IN UGANDA
AGAINST THE RWANDANS LIVING INSIDE THEIR COUNTRY. THE
MAJORITY OF RWANDANS GROUPED AROUND AN ORGANIZED POWER WAS
SEEKING THE WAYS AND MEANS TO IMPROVE THE DEMOCRATIC
PRINCIPLES TO ESTABLISH AN OPEN DEMOCRACY WHERE ALL ELEMENTS
OF THE RWANDAN POPULATION COULD COME TOGETHER.
EVER SINCE THE OCTOBER 1990 ATTACK, EVERYTHING HAS BEEN DONE
TO FIND A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE RWANDAN CONFLICT, SINCE
WE WERE AND REMAIN CONVINCED THAT THE SOLUTION TO THE
RWANDAN PROBLEM CANNOT BE A MILITARY ONE. BUT
UNFORTUNATELY, THE RPF WAS NOT CONVINCED OF THAT; IT
DEVELOPED ITS PLAN OF EXTERMINATING THE POPULATION.

IN ARUSHA, IN THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA, AND IN THE
PRESENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, THE NEGOTIATIONS
BETWEEN THE RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS OF THE RPF AND THE
RWANDAN GOVERNMENT FROM JULY 10, 1992, TO AUGUST 4, 1993,
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FOUND A SOLUTION TO THE CONFLICT BY ACHIEVING THE SHARING OF
POWERS. UNFORTUNATELY, THE RPF THOUGHT DIFFERENTLY; THEY
THOUGHT ABOUT COMPLETING THEIR PLAN OF EXTERMINATING THE
POPULATION FROM WITHIN.

THE REFUGEES WHO ARE HERE AT KASHUSHA AND ALL OVER ZAIRE ARE
PAYING A GREAT HOMAGE TO THE REPUBLIC OF ZAIRE AND ITS
PEOPLE, ITS PRESIDENT WHO KINDLY OPENED THEIR BORDERS TO
FOIL THE RPF'S GENOCIDAL OBJECTIVES.

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THANK GOD WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ESCAPE THE ASSAULTS AND
WE REGRET THE LOSS OF MANY OF OUR RELATIVES WHO WERE
MASSACRED MASSIVELY.

YOUR EXCELLENCY, WE KNOW THAT AMERICANS ARE DEMOCRATS, MAYBE
NOT IN TERMS OF POLITICAL AFFILIATION BUT IN TERMS OF
FUNDAMENTAL DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES. HOW THEN WOULD YOU
UNDERSTAND THAT THE CURRENT RWANDAN REFUGEES ARE FACING
ATTITUDES OF DISCRIMINATION AND HUMILIATION? WE ASK YOU, IN
YOUR CAPACITY AS A DIGNIFIED AND RESPECTED REPRESENTATIVE OF
A GREAT POWER, NAMELY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, TO ASK
THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY TO CLARIFY WHO IS THE KILLER,
WHO IS THE GENOCIDAL KILLER, IN THE END?

IS IT THE CURRENT RWANDAN GOVERNMENT IN EXILE? IS IT THE
RPF CURRENTLY IN POWER IN RWANDA? IS IT SOME ISOLATED
INDIVIDUALS WHO SHOULD BE TAKEN TO COURT AND MADE TO PAY FOR
THEIR ACTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNIVERSAL PRINCIPLES OF
CRIMINAL LAW?

WE PROTEST STRONGLY AGAINST THOSE DISCRIMINATORY AND
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HUMILIATING ATTITUDES DIRECTED AGAINST ANY MAN, DIRECTED
AGAINST ANY HUMAN BEING, DIRECTED ESPECIALLY AGAINST THE
CURRENT RWANDAN REFUGEES WHOSE RIGHTS ARE CEASELESSLY BEING
VIOLATED AND WHO ARE BEING HARASSED DAY AFTER DAY.

THE REFUGEES WHO ARE HERE AND ELSEWHERE ARE INNOCENT UNTIL
THERE IS PROOF TO THE CONTRARY.
YOUR EXCELLENCY, THE RWANDAN REFUGEES THAT I REPRESENT HERE
AT KASHUSHA AND MANY OTHERS RELY ON THE GREAT MIGHT OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. THEREFORE, TO EXPRESS THEIR
FEELINGS, SINGING DAILY OF RETURNING TO THEIR HOMELAND.
THEIR EYES ARE FIXED ON THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, AND
ESPECIALLY ON THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. WE WANT TO GO
BACK HOME TO RWANDA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

BUT THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS MUST BE MET BEFORE WE RETURN:

1. THE STRICT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ARUSHA PEACE AGREEMENTS
AND ALL THEIR PROTOCOLS.

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INDEED, ON JULY 12, 1992, IN ARUSHA. IT WAS AGREED TO
UNDERTAKE A CEASE FIRE BETWEEN THE RPF AND THE RWANDAN

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GOVERNMENT. THE CEASE FIRE WAS MORE OR LESS OBSERVED BY

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BOTH PARTIES EXCEPT FOR A SERIOUS INTERUPTION ON THE RPF ON FEBRUARY 8, 1993, UNTIL IT WAS REESTABLISHED ON MARCH 7, 1993, IN DAR ES SALAAM. UNFORTUNATELY, THE RPF BREACHED IT ONCE MORE ON APRIL 6, 1994, AT 8:00 P.M., THE TIME AT WHICH THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC WAS ASSASSINATED. EVER SINCE THEN, THE RPF HAS BEEN LAUNCHING ATTACKS ON ALL THE MILITARY POSITIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT.

THERE IS NO CEASE FIRE IN RWANDA. WHAT IS MORE SERIOUS IS THAT THE RPF IS NOT FIGHTING THE MILITARY; IT IS MASSACRING
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INNOCENT POPULATIONS WHO WERE NOT LUCKY ENOUGH TO GET AWAY. AND THE KILLING IS BEING DONE BOTH WITH FIREARMS AND WITH OTHER MEANS. THE RPF IS STILL KILLING AND THE PROOF IS THAT THE RWANDAN REFUGEES STILL KEEP LEAVING RWANDA. THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IS WITNESSING THAT.

ON AUGUST 18, 1992. A DRAFT AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED RELATING TO A LAWFUL STATE. CAN ONE CONSIDER OR RATHER TALK ABOUT A LAWFUL STATE? THE HUMAN BEING IS NO LONGER RESPECTED; PRIVATE PROPERTY IS NO LONGER INVIOABLE; FREEDOM OF SPEECH, FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT, THE RIGHT TO DEFEND ONESELF ARE NOTHING ANY MORE IN THE RPF SYSTEM OF GOVERNMENT IN RWANDA.

ON OCTOBER 30, 1992, AND JANUARY 9, 1993, THE TWO PARTIES SIGNED A DRAFT AGREEMENT ON THE SHARING OF POWERS. THE RPF IGNORED THIS DRAFT AND TOOK ALL THE POWERS AT THE POINT OF THE MACHINE GUN. THERE IS NO SHARING AND THE RPF DOES NOT WANT TO SHARE. IT DOES NOT WANT ALL SECTIONS OF THE RWANDAN COMMUNITY TO TAKE PART IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNTRY. THERE MUST BE SHARING!

WITH THAT DRAFT AGREEMENT ON THE SHARING OF POWERS, THE SOLUTION TO THE RWANDAN CONFLICT HAD BEEN FOUND. MOSTLY AS IT WAS SUBSEQUENTLY COMPLETED BY THE ONE RELATING TO THE INTEGRATION OF THE TWO ARMIES AND THE ONE RELATING TO THE RETURN OF THE REFUGEES. BUT, UNFORTUNATELY, AGAIN THE RPF AND ITS ASSOCIATES SAW THE ISSUE DIFFERENTLY, AND THERE WE ARE! THE ARUSHA PEACE AGREEMENTS MUST BE IMPLEMENTED IN FULL.

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2. THE DISARMAMENT OF THE RFP SOLDIERS IS THE FIRST
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GUARANTEE OF SECURITY.

SO THAT THIS DISARMAMENT MAY BE EFFECTIVE, THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY AND ESPECIALLY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA MUST BE ABLE TO CONTROL APPROPRIATELY THE BORDERS BETWEEN RWANDA AND THE NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES, AND ESPECIALLY WITH UGANDA AND BURUNDI.

3. THE REMOVAL OF MINES FROM TOWNS AND FROM OTHER SUSPECT PLACES.

4. RESPECT FOR PRIVATE PROPERTY. THE RPF HAS TAKEN EVERYTHING FROM US. EVEN IF WE GO BACK TODAY, WHERE SHALL WE SETTLE? IN ANY CASE, HAVING OUR PROPERTY IN RWANDA, THE SOLUTION WOULD NOT BE, AFTER SIX MONTHS, TO CREATE CONCENTRATION ZONES, ACTUAL REFUGEE CAMPS ON OUR OWN TERRITORY.

5. RESPECT FOR FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF AN OPEN DEMOCRACY FOR ALL GROUPS OF THE POPULATION AND ESPECIALLY AN EARLY ORGANIZATION OF ELECTIONS.

6. AN IMPARTIAL SENTENCING OF ALL THOSE WHO ARE ALLEGED TO HAVE COMMITTED MASSACRES IN RWANDA.

YOUR EXCELLENCY, THERE SOON WILL BE A VERY IMPORTANT MEETING IN BUJUMBURA, BURUNDI, TO WHICH THE FOLLOWING COUNTRIES ARE INVITED: UGANDA, BURUNDI, RWANDA, TANZANIA, ZAIRE, KENYA, ZAMBIA, FRANCE, BELGIUM, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, GERMANY. WE ASK YOU, EXCELLENCY, TO USE YOUR CAPACITY AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF A GREAT POWER WHICH WILL BE ATTENDING THE

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MEETING. TO ADD
RESS THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY SO THAT THEY
MAY DEFEND THE CAUSE OF THE CURRENT RWANDAN REFUGEES AS
OBJECTIVELY AS POSSIBLE, SO AS TO REACH A PERMANENT SOLUTION
TO THE RWANDAN PROBLEM.

YOUR EXCELLENCY, I DO NOT WANT TO ENCROACH ON YOUR TIME AND
WILL STOP HERE. WHILE I RELY ON YOUR UNDERSTANDING, I ASK
YOU TO KINDLY USE YOUR POSITION TO HELP THE INTERNATIONAL
COMMUNITY AND THE RPF UNDERSTAND THAT THE BUILDING OF PEACE
IN RWANDA FOR THE CURRENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS WILL BE
POSSIBLE ONLY WITH THE JOINT EFFORTS OF ALL RWANDANS. THANK
YOU, THE KASHUSHA CAMP LEADER, BAGEZAHU J. M. VIANNEY.
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